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Energy Sector

Current Electricity Sector Threat Alert Levels: Physical: LOW, Cyber: LOW

Scale: LOW, GUARDED, ELEVATED, HIGH, SEVERE [Source: ISAC for the Electricity Sector (ES-ISAC) - <http://www.esisac.com>]

1. *May 24, Associated Press* – (Louisiana; Texas) **Texas company admits oil spills in La. bayous.** A Texas-based independent oil company admitted its negligence caused three oil spills in Jefferson Parish, Louisiana bayous. Cedyco Corp. of Houston agreed to pay a \$557,000 fine and stop operating in Louisiana as part of a plea bargain signed May 23 with the U.S. Department of Justice. The plea, reached in federal court, was based on spills between February and mid-May 2008 at three facilities: a tank battery south of the Barataria Waterway on Bayou St. Denis; an oil storage and production platform near the Plaquemines Parish line on Bayou Dupont; and a well near that platform. The fine will go into the Coast Guard's Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund. The Coast Guard said it spent \$750,000 to clean the platform, tank battery, and a permanently moored barge located between them at Mud Lake. The company president signed the guilty plea to three misdemeanor counts of violating the Clean Water Act and a statement of the facts on which it was based.
Source: http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-505245_162-57440928/texas-company-admits-oil-spills-in-la-bayous/
2. *May 24, St. Augustine Record* – (Florida) **Fire marshal: BP tanker driver at fault.** Florida's Fire Marshal's Office said the man who drove the tanker delivering fuel when a BP station exploded August 2011 demonstrated culpable negligence by leaving the tanker unattended while it was off-loading fuel, the St. Augustine Record reported May 24. The driver of the truck "...voluntarily chose to leave the tanker unattended while pumping fuel and walk a minimum of 59 feet away from the pump controls" to stand in the shade, the report said. He did this even though he knew he could not determine the amount of fuel in the tank and there was a potential overflow hazard, it added. The fire shot balls of flame into the air that could be seen from miles away and spilled thousands of gallons of fuel from the destroyed gasoline tanks into the marsh behind the station. It also caused around \$1 million in damage and destroyed the station, surrounding buildings, and 14 cars at the station, according to the report.
Source: <http://staugustine.com/police-report/2012-05-23/bp-tanker-driver-culpable-fire-marshal#.T75GOIK1XoY>
3. *May 23, Great Falls Tribune* – (Montana) **EPA responds to gasoline spill on Rocky Boy's Reservation.** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and tribal officials responded to a gasoline spill May 23 that apparently reached a creek in Box Elder, Montana, on the Rocky Boy's Indian Reservation, according to the EPA. Initial reports said 500 to 2,000 gallons leaked, but those numbers were not confirmed, said the unit leader for the EPA's emergency response unit for Region 8 in Denver. The agency is responding because "it looks like there might be a sheen on a creek," she said. The gasoline leak occurred at the Bear Paw Pastime store.

Source:

<http://www.greatfallsribune.com/article/20120524/NEWS01/205240309/1002/rss>

4. *May 23, Associated Press* – (Indiana) **US reaches pollution agreement at BP Indiana plant.** The U.S. government announced a settlement requiring BP North America Inc. to spend more than \$400 million to reduce pollution at a refinery in Whiting, Indiana, the Associated Press reported May 23. The agreement is designed to reduce harmful air pollution by more than 4,000 tons annually at the facility. The government alleged violations of Clean Air Act requirements regarding construction and expansion of the refinery. BP will install equipment that will limit the amount of gas sent to flaring devices used to burn off waste gases.

Source: <http://www.kob.com/article/stories/S2630531.shtml?cat=641>

5. *May 23, KSLA 12 Shreveport* – (Texas) **Copper thief strikes at Bowie Co. substation.** Sheriff's deputies in Bowie County, Texas, investigated a copper theft at an electrical substation, KSLA 12 Shreveport reported May 23. Deputies said the theft happened at the Ridge Springs substation at the Bowie-Cass Electrical Cooperative Company near Texarkana. Company officials said the removal of the copper caused live wires to hit the metal frame of the substation melting the metal out of the cement May 23. Officials said the live wires left scorch marks on the ground and caused a strong, noticeable odor. Investigators said they initially believed the scorch marks and the odor was from remains of a body, but later determined no one died.

Source: <http://www.ksla.com/story/18609339/copper-thief-strikes-at-bowie-co-substation>

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Chemical Industry Sector

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials and Waste Sector

6. *May 24, Reuters* – (International) **Fukushima radiation higher than first estimated.** The radiation released in the first days of the Fukushima nuclear disaster in Japan was almost 2.5 times the amount first estimated by Japanese safety regulators, the operator of the crippled plant said in a report released May 24. Because radiation sensors closest to the plant were knocked out by the March 11, 2011 quake and the tsunami, the utility based its estimate on other monitoring posts and data collected by Japanese government agencies. Tokyo Electric Power estimated meltdowns at three Fukushima reactors released about 900,000 terabecquerels of radioactive substances into the air during March. The estimate was based on measurements suggesting the amount of Iodine-131 released by the nuclear accident was three times higher than previous estimates, the utility said in the report. Iodine-131 is a fast-decaying radioactive substance produced by fission that takes place inside a reactor. It has a

half-life of 8 days. More than 99 percent of the radiation released by the accident came in the first 3 weeks, the utility added.

Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/05/24/nuclear-japan-idUSL4E8GO6ID20120524>

7. *May 23, Reuters* – (Massachusetts; International) **U.S. charges Chinese man with illegal nuclear-related exports.** A Chinese national was charged with illegally exporting to China U.S.-made sensors used to produce weapons-grade uranium, the U.S. Department of Justice said May 23. The man, a sales manager for a Chinese subsidiary of MKS Instruments located in Andover, Massachusetts, was arrested at his hotel in North Andover, Massachusetts, and charged with conspiracy to violate U.S. export laws. He allegedly allowed thousands of pressure measuring sensors, known as pressure transducers, to be exported from the United States to unauthorized users in China, the department said. He was accused of co-conspiring with others since 2007 to export pressure transducers from the United States to unauthorized end-users by using export licenses issued to MKS customers and/or through export licenses obtained in the name of a front company.

Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/05/23/usa-china-arrest-idUSL1E8GNIX20120523>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

8. *May 23, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission* – (National) **Cooper Lighting recalls commercial reflector assembly with glass lens due to injury hazard.** The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with Cooper Lighting, May 23 announced a voluntary recall of about 21,000 Portfolio 7-inch reflector assemblies with glass lenses. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed. The reflector can fall out of its fixture to the ground, which could result in an injury hazard. Cooper Lighting has received 23 reports of reflectors falling. The recall involves circular, 7-inch diameter Portfolio aluminum reflector with glass lens designed to be inserted into a light fixture. This reflector is intended for use in indoor, commercial applications, such as office buildings, schools, and shopping malls.

Source: <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml12/12185.html>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

9. *May 24, Associated Press* – (Maine) **Fire on nuclear sub at Maine shipyard slightly hurts 7.** Firefighters spent the night of May 23 and the morning of May 24 fighting a fire aboard the USS Miami nuclear submarine in Kittery, Maine. Firefighters from coastal departments and the naval shipyard responded. Seven firefighters and crew members were hurt but not badly. The flames were isolated from the nuclear propulsion spaces but caused extensive damage elsewhere, specifically the four

forward compartments, which include living and command and control spaces. Workers at the shipyard ventilated the ship so they could access the inside and assess the damage.

Source: <http://www.ajc.com/news/nation-world/fire-on-nuclear-sub-1445184.html>

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Banking and Finance Sector

10. *May 24, Reuters* – (Illinois) **CFTC sues ex-Chicago broker, alleging Ponzi scheme.** The U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) sued a former Chicago floor broker, claiming he ran a 4-year Ponzi scheme and fraudulently solicited at least \$7.8 million to trade commodity futures contracts, Reuters reported May 24. In a civil lawsuit, the CFTC said the man ran the Ponzi scheme and promised investors annual returns of 13 percent or higher, but never delivered. The defendant lost \$1.6 million of the money he collected through his trading, and used the remaining \$6.2 million for his personal benefit and to repay two earlier investors, the CFTC said. The scheme ran from at least January 2008 to at least February 2012, it said. The man had been registered with the CFTC as a floor broker from 1996 to 2003, the agency said in a complaint filed May 24 in Chicago. The CFTC is seeking remedies, including full restitution and a civil fine.

Source: <http://www.chicagotribune.com/business/sns-rt-us-cftc-schiller-ponzibre84n1e2-20120524,0,3974613.story>

11. *May 24, WLEX 18 Lexington* – (Kentucky) **Police arrest two in credit card scam.** Lexington, Kentucky police arrested two men May 23 and charged them with running an elaborate credit card scam. According to court documents, police pulled over a car, arrested two men, and charged each of them with 133 counts of possession of a forged instrument. Police said officers found altered credit cards in their possession. They were re-encoded and altered to look like gift cards. Police said they also found more than \$5,000 worth of gift cards purchased with the altered credit cards.

Source: <http://www.lex18.com/news/police-arrest-two-in-credit-card-scam>

12. *May 24, WSMV 4 Nashville* – (Tennessee) **Secret Service finds ATM in man's closet.** The Secret Service found an ATM in a Nashville, Tennessee man's closet and believed he was using it to perfect his mission to make fake credit cards, WSMV 4 Nashville reported May 24. The suspect will serve a 15-month sentence in a federal prison and must pay \$275,000 for possession of device-making equipment and possessing counterfeit credit cards. A spokesman for the Secret Service said the man bought an ATM and was using it to make better fake credit cards and intended to set it up to steal other people's credit card numbers. A Secret Service agent said he had tested hidden cameras and skimmer equipment. He said the hidden cameras were intended to catch customers' fingers touching the keypad when they entered their PIN number, and the skimmer devices were intended to steal debit and credit card

information. The suspect was previously convicted of making fake credit cards and in 2008, agents said he had more than 1,900 stolen credit card account numbers. Secret Service agents found the ATM in the man's closet before it could be used.

Source: <http://www.wafb.com/story/18609217/secret-service-finds-atm-in-mans-closet>

13. *May 24, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission* – (California) **SEC charges northern California fund manager in \$60 million scheme.** The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) May 24 charged an investment adviser in Scotts Valley, California, with running a \$60 million investment fund like a Ponzi scheme and defrauding investors by touting imaginary trading profits instead of reporting actual trading losses. The SEC alleges the adviser who managed the GLR Growth Fund, used false and misleading marketing materials to lure investors into believing it was earning double-digit annual returns by investing 75 percent of its assets in investments tied to major stock indices. In reality, the adviser's trading generated consistent losses and he eventually stopped trading entirely. To mask his fraud, he paid millions in "returns" to investors largely by using money received from newer investors. He also sent investors periodic account statements showing fictitious growth in investments. According to the SEC's complaint, he raised more than \$60 million since 2005, mostly from investors in the Santa Cruz area. Although the fund was started in 2003, marketing materials claimed 25 percent returns in 2001 and 2002 — before the fund even existed. The SEC alleges the adviser's trading was unsuccessful, and by mid-2009 the fund did not invest in publicly traded securities at all. Instead, the fund invested heavily in illiquid investments in two private start-up technology companies. The rest of the money was paid to investors in Ponzi-like fashion and to three entities the adviser controlled that also are charged in the SEC's complaint.
Source: <http://www.sec.gov/news/press/2012/2012-101.htm>

14. *May 23, WTVJ 6 Miami* – (Florida; National) **'Nike Hat Bandit' indicted, charged with 3 counts of bank robbery in south Florida.** Federal authorities announced May 23 they indicted a South Carolina man dubbed the "Nike Hat Bandit" on three counts of bank robbery tied to heists he committed or attempted in south Florida. He robbed a Wells Fargo in Palm Beach Gardens November 21, 2011, and attempted to rob another Wells Fargo branch in Dania Beach November 30, 2011, when he successfully robbed a BB&T Bank in Pompano Beach, a U.S. attorney and the FBI special agent in charge said. He allegedly robbed banks in Florida and six other states while wearing a Nike baseball hat. He usually approached tellers with a threatening note that said he had a gun and wanted money, authorities said. He was arrested December 29, 2011, in Georgetown, South Carolina, after robbing the South Carolina Bank and Trust. He was indicted and charged with four counts of bank robbery there, authorities said. He also held up banks in Georgia, Tennessee, Kentucky, West Virginia, and Pennsylvania, they said.
Source: <http://www.nbcmiami.com/news/local/Nike-Hat-Bandit-Indicted-Charged-With-3-Counts-of-Bank-Robbery-in-South-Florida-Officials-153283305.html>

Transportation Sector

15. *May 24, KDFW 4 Dallas-Fort Worth* – (Texas) **Cattle truck crash closes freeway near downtown Dallas.** A big rig hauling 89 head of cattle overturned on I-35E over the Trinity River in Dallas May 24. All northbound lanes were closed, and at least 40 cattle died as a result of injuries in the accident. The big rig driver said his load shifted in the freeway’s curve, and the overnight high winds may have helped tip the double-decker trailer on its side. The Dallas County Sheriff’s Office used its livestock trailer to move some animals to the pens behind a nearby Fuel City gas station on the banks of the Trinity River.
Source: <http://www.myfoxdfw.com/story/18612772/cattle-truck-crash-closes-freeway-near-downtown-dallas>
16. *May 24, Associated Press* – (New York) **NY school bus hits house, no serious injuries.** Four Buffalo, New York schoolchildren were taken to a hospital for treatment of bumps and bruises after their school bus crashed into the front of a house May 24. A Buffalo Public School District spokeswoman said the bus was headed to Lorraine Elementary School with 19 children and 2 adults on board. She said the driver may have been blinded by the sun or lost control on gravel that was piled in the street for a sidewalk construction project. The bus traveled about a foot and a half into the front of the single-story house.
Source: <http://online.wsj.com/article/AP04d08d5a52774c04afa92beba876eb13.html>
17. *May 24, Stockton Record* – (California) **Crash shuts down Highway 4 for hours.** A hazardous-material spill from an overturned tanker truck shut down a major highway in Stockton, California, for most of the day May 23. The crash, in which a semi-truck jackknifed and blocked all three lanes, took place on eastbound Highway 4 near Wilson Way. More than 3,000 gallons of a water-based liquid fertilizer leaked from the two tankers attached to the truck, said officials. The crash is under investigation, but officials suspect it was sparked by an unknown driver cutting off the truck. Hazardous-materials crews patched leaks in the truck to prevent the 5,000 gallons of fluid from spilling and dammed the roadway to prevent it from entering the sewer system. Eastbound Highway 4 was partially reopened about 6 hours after the crash, and fully opened later that evening.
Source:
http://www.recordnet.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20120524/A_NEWS/205240334/-1/A_NEWS02
18. *May 23, WXIA 11 Atlanta* – (Georgia) **I-285 SB open after chemical spill.** All lanes on I-285 southbound at Washington Road in East Point, Georgia, were shut down for at least 5 hours due to a truck that leaked the chemicals isopropanolamine and polymine onto the roadway May 23. City officials said the leaking chemical “was contained to one area of the expressway” and that it did not get into the sewer system.
Source: <http://www.11alive.com/news/article/242394/40/I-285-SB-open-after-chemical-spill->

19. *May 22, WLFI 18 West Lafayette* – (Indiana) **Hand-grenade discovered on school bus.** The White County Sheriff’s Department responded to Frontier Elementary School regarding a hand-grenade found on an elementary school bus May 22 in Brookston, Indiana. School administrative staff said they immediately obtained the hand-grenade from the elementary student and secured it in an office, away from staff and students. Then they notified police, who removed the hand-grenade from the school and determined it to be inactive following examination. The student and the student’s father were questioned and the case was being reviewed.
Source: <http://www.wlfi.com/dpp/news/local/hand-grenade-discovered-on-school-bus>

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Postal and Shipping Sector

20. *May 23, Aberdeen Patch* – (Maryland) **4 issued citations after mailbox explosion.** The Maryland State fire marshal is investigating a May 22 explosion that destroyed a mailbox in Aberdeen. Criminal citations were issued to four unidentified males, according to a statement from the Maryland State Fire Marshal’s Office. The office responded to the scene without required assistance from local fire departments and remained on the scene for about an hour. A “rural route mailbox” valued at \$100 was destroyed in the explosion.
Source: <http://aberdeens.patch.com/articles/4-issued-citations-following-post-blast>
21. *May 23, Savannah Morning News* – (Georgia) **Mailbox blown up in south Bryan County.** A residential mailbox was destroyed by explosion May 23 in south Bryan County, Georgia. “There was some kind of explosive device put in a mailbox,” the Bryan County sheriff said. The Bryan County Sheriff’s Department requested assistance from the Georgia Bureau of Investigation.
Source: <http://savannahnow.com/bryan-county-now/2012-05-23/mailbox-blown-south-bryan-county#.T71B51L5vYE>
22. *May 23, Vashon-Maury Island Beachcomber* – (Washington) **Postal Service launches investigation into region-wide mail theft.** A recent spate of mail thefts in Vashon, Washington, led authorities to launch an investigation into the crimes, which have also increased in other parts of King and Snohomish counties, the Vashon-Maury Island Beachcomber reported May 23. A spokesman for the U.S. Postal Inspection Service (USPIS) said mail theft on Vashon has not increased over the past year, but a spike in the number of reports the last few weeks has raised concerns. The postal service is working with the King County Sheriff’s Office and the Vashon Post Office to investigate, he said, and officials are asking residents for help. According to USPIS records, from the beginning of March through the third week of May, there were 17 mail thefts in Vashon. During the same time period in 2011 there were 52 mail thefts. The spokesman, however, said there was a spike in the last few weeks. Authorities, he added, are not sure if Vashon’s increase in mail theft is related to people off-Island or

if the uptick region-wide is simply a coincidence.

Source: <http://www.vashonbeachcomber.com/news/153220085.html>

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Agriculture and Food Sector

23. *May 24, Bloomberg* – (National; International) **Wheat fields parched by drought from U.S. to Russia: Commodities.** Droughts withering wheat crops from the United States to Russia to Australia will probably spur the biggest reduction in global supply estimates since 2003 and drive prices to the highest in almost a year, Bloomberg reported May 24. Kansas, the top U.S. grower of winter wheat, is poised for its driest May on record, the State's climatologist estimated. Ukraine and Russia, accounting for 11 percent of world output, have endured drought conditions for 3 months, University College London data show. The U.S. Department of Agriculture may cut its global crop estimate by 1.2 percent in June, the biggest drop in a June report since 2003, according to the average of 18 analyst estimates compiled by Bloomberg. Winter wheat accounted for about 75 percent of U.S. output in 2011 and is the main variety grown in the Black Sea region.
Source: <http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2012-05-23/wheat-fields-parched-by-drought-from-u-s-to-russia-commodities.html>
24. *May 24, WSVN 7 Miami* – (Florida) **Police investigate fire at plant nursery.** Authorities were investigating a suspicious fire that broke out at a Miami plant nursery, May 24. Fire investigators believed it is a case of arson and that multiple fires were intentionally set in different areas of the nursery. Crews were able to put the fire out quickly. The building suffered some interior damage.
Source: <http://www.wsvn.com/news/articles/local/21007555455112/police-investigate-fire-at-plant-nursery/>
25. *May 23, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency* – (Oregon) **Oregon cheese processing company pays EPA penalty for failing to report ammonia release.** Columbia River Processing, Inc. failed to report an anhydrous ammonia release at its Boardman, Oregon cheese processing facility in June 2008, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) reported May 23. The company agreed to a settlement with the EPA that includes a \$42,435 penalty. June 30, 2008, an electrical storm caused power surges that disrupted the computers and compressors that control the ammonia system at the facility. The computer failure caused a pressure relief valve to open, releasing nearly 2,500 pounds of ammonia into the environment, according to the EPA settlement. Columbia River Processing failed to immediately notify local and State agencies about the release.
Source:
<http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/0/552e2a2f7f68759485257a07006a3cb6?OpenDocument>
26. *May 23, Associated Press* – (California; Oregon; Washington) **Voluntary recall for Shitake-Ya mushroom slices.** A southern California company recalled dried

mushroom slices sold at Costco Wholesale stores that may have been contaminated with chemicals, the Associated Press reported May 23. L.A. Link Corporation issued the voluntary recall May 23 for Shitake-Ya brand gourmet shitake mushroom slices with a sell-by date of April 16, 2013. The mushrooms were sold at Costco locations in California, Oregon, and Washington State. The company said it discovered the mushrooms may have been contaminated with carbendazim and other chemicals. Carbendazim is a fungicide used to control plant diseases. The contamination was found after U.S. Food and Drug Administration regulators tested a product sample. Source: <http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?f=/n/a/2012/05/23/state/n222245D64.DTL>

27. *May 23, Canadian Press* – (International) **2nd B.C. salmon farm quarantined over virus fears.** For the second time in less than 2 weeks, the Canadian Food Inspection Agency quarantined a British Columbia (B.C.), Canada salmon farm over concerns about the presence and possible spread of a virus. Grieg Seafood announced May 23 that while tests have not yet confirmed the presence of infectious haematopoietic necrosis virus at its Ahlstrom Point farm, near Sechelt, B.C., the agency quarantined the site, home to about 310,000 coho. That quarantine follows a voluntary isolation implemented by the company the week of May 14 after a routine test identified a “low-positive result” for the virus. Earlier the week of May 21, Mainstream Canada announced its Dixon Bay farm was empty after tests confirmed May 14 the presence of the virus, leading to the cull of more than 560,000 young Atlantic salmon. The food inspection agency notes the virus exists in coastal waters and does not affect human health or food safety but poses a risk to aquatic animal health. The company must now confirm whether or not the virus is present at the site, and the results of those tests are expected sometime the week of May 21.
Source: http://www.ctvbc.ctv.ca/servlet/an/local/CTVNews/20120523/bc_salmon_farm_quarantine_120523/20120523/?hub=BritishColumbiaHome
28. *May 22, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Harris Teeter is recalling 5 flavors of sorbet due to possible undeclared milk allergen.** Harris Teeter recalled HT Traders Sorbet in the following flavors: Lemon, Raspberry, Mango, Coconut, and Orange, due to possible undeclared milk protein, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration reported May 22. Harris Teeter operates stores in North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Georgia, Tennessee, Maryland, Delaware, Florida, and Washington, D.C.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm305254.htm>
29. *May 22, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National; International) **IndonesianFoodMart.com recalls ‘Tempeh Starter Yeast’ because of health risk of Salmonella.** Indonesianfoodmart.com of Rockville, Maryland, recalled all packages of “Tempeh Starter Yeast” because they have the potential to be contaminated with Salmonella, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) reported May 22. The recalled “Tempeh Starter Yeast” and “Super Starter Yeast” were distributed nationwide and internationally through direct mail orders. Several illnesses were reported that may be linked to this problem. The potential for contamination was

noted after testing by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services revealed the presence of Salmonella in some product. Upon being notified of the risk by the FDA, Indonesianfoodmart.com immediately discontinued their operations. Indonesianfoodmart.com did not manufacture the product which was imported from Indonesia.

Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm305247.htm>

30. *May 22, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Honeyville Honey Farm issues allergy alert on undeclared anchovy in Honeyville Honey Barbecue Sauce.** Honeyville Honey Farm of Durango, Colorado, voluntarily recalled bottles of Honeyville Honey Barbecue Sauce manufactured after August 1, 2011 because they contain undeclared anchovies in the Worcestershire sauce used in production, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration reported May 22. The recalled product was distributed nationwide through retail Internet sales and in retail stores from August 1, 2011 to May 21.

Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm305398.htm>

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Water Sector

31. *May 24, Lincoln Journal Star* – (Nebraska) **Man arrested for crashing tanker truck.** Lincoln, Nebraska police believe a man took a \$100,000 Mack transport truck from the city's wastewater treatment plant and plowed it into a chain-link fence May 23. Police said a humidifier and \$100 worth of cigars are also missing from the plant. A police officer said a city employee was storing them there. Employees noticed the humidifier and truck were missing May 24 and found the truck smashed against a chain-link fence with a pole through its windshield. They found the man, the humidifier, and cigars in the truck's cab and told police he appeared to be drunk, tried to fight them, and ran away. Officers arrested the man on suspicion of burglary, auto theft, criminal mischief, driving under the influence, and refusing to take a chemical test.

Source: http://journalstar.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/man-arrested-for-crashing-tanker-truck/article_6396e58c-c685-561e-897d-25a97863cf31.html

32. *May 23, McAllen Monitor* – (Texas) **'Sky not falling' over chemical release in Weslaco water, city manager says.** An error may have caused unhealthy levels of a water treatment chemical to enter the drinking water for Weslaco, Texas, April 21 officials confirmed in a May 22 news release. Employees of OMI, which operates Weslaco's water treatment plant, reportedly detected high levels of chlorite in the plant water but failed to perform follow-up testing to confirm it, the city manager said. OMI staff detected a 1.1 milligram per liter (mpl) chlorite reading; the required maximum is 1 mpl, the city said. Staff members postponed testing because they could not find bottles for the samples. It remains unclear whether the high chemical levels made it into homes or businesses since water levels were normal April 23. Excess chlorite likely came from a generator malfunction that caused too little chlorine gas to

be released to convert the chlorite. One employee faced disciplinary action after the incident, but remains with the firm. OMI reported the chlorite level to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality immediately after it occurred.

Source: <http://www.themonitor.com/news/weslaco-61077-release-says.html>

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Public Health and Healthcare Sector

33. *May 24, Associated Press* – (Georgia) **Police seek help from feds after 2 clinic fires.** Federal authorities have been asked to help investigate after two fires in the past week at women's clinics in metro Atlanta. Authorities said the latest fire happened May 23 at a Marietta obstetrics and gynecology office that advertises itself as an "abortion services" clinic. A Cobb County fire spokeswoman said it took more than 20 firefighters to put out the flames. There were about 20 employees and several patients inside when the fire started. Gwinnett County fire officials said a fire May 20 at the Atlanta Gynecology and Obstetrics Gwinnett office in Lilburn is suspicious. A Gwinnett police official said the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives has been asked to help investigate. Some women's clinics have also been burglarized in recent months.

Source: <http://www.firstcoastnews.com/news/article/257532/5/Police-seek-helpf-from-feds-after-2-clinic-fires>

34. *May 24, Fort Myers News-Press* – (Florida) **32 people suffering from flu-like symptoms at Collier County assisted living facility.** Thirty-two people, including 24 residents and 8 employees, at the Bentley Village assisted living facility and nursing home in Collier County, Florida, were suffering from flu-like symptoms, the Fort Myers News-Press reported May 24. "They're limiting visitations to their assisted living facility," said the Collier County Health Department's coordinator for Healthy Communities. "We're asking that all necessary visitors wear masks and wash their hands before entering and exiting the facility." The health department was alerted to the spreading sickness May 19 after more than a dozen residents began experiencing flu-like symptoms. The 24 residents experiencing the symptoms represent less than 1 percent of 700 people who reside there, the health coordinator said.

Source: <http://www.news-press.com/article/20120524/NEWS0119/120524007/0/NEWS0119/32-people-suffering-from-flu-like-symptoms-Collier-County-assisted-living-facility?odyssey=nav/head>

35. *May 23, Fort Lee Patch* – (New Jersey) **Bergen County hazmat responds to chemical fire.** A mixture of chemicals in an optometrist's office in Fort Lee, New Jersey, resulted in a small fire May 22 that was quickly doused with a fire extinguisher. Fort Lee's fire chief said the building was evacuated, and because the fire was the result of an unknown chemical mixture, the Bergen County Hazardous Materials Response Team was called in to evaluate the proper response to the incident. Bergen HAZMAT

determined the chemicals used were alcohol-based and gave clearance for the fire department to proceed with ventilating the building before allowing anyone to return. A passing police officer heard the activated fire alarm and responded to the call. Both the police officer and a fireman who “took in smoke” were taken to an area hospital as a precaution.

Source: <http://fortlee.patch.com/articles/bergen-county-hazmat-responds-to-chemical-fire>

36. *May 23, Mount Vernon News* – (Ohio) **Electrical short causes fire at KCH.** A fire that caused an evacuation of 12 patients at Knox Community Hospital in Mount Vernon, Ohio, was caused by an electrical short in an industrial floor scrubber May 22. The fire started in the seventh floor mechanical room. Twelve patients on the sixth floor had to be evacuated to other locations in the hospital. A spokesperson for Knox Community Hospital said the 12 patients who were relocated had to be carried down the stairs on chair stretchers. For about 90 minutes, the emergency department was placed on non-critical diversion, meaning fire departments that needed to transport non-critical patients were asked to take patients to other area hospitals.

Source: <http://www.mountvernonnews.com/local/12/05/23/electrical-short-causes-fire-at-kch>

37. *May 22, Boston Globe* – (Massachusetts; International) **Laptop lost with data for more than 2,000 patients, Boston Children’s reports.** While at a conference in Buenos Aires, Argentina, a Boston Children’s Hospital employee lost a laptop containing a file with information about 2,159 patients, including names, birth dates, diagnoses, and treatment information, the Boston Globe reported May 22. The laptop was password protected but not encrypted, according to a hospital press release. The file was not saved to the hard drive but was on the laptop in an e-mail attachment when it was stolen.

Source: http://articles.boston.com/2012-05-22/health-wellness/31811976_1_laptop-patients-chief-information-officer

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Government Facilities Sector

38. *May 24, Vermont Public Radio* – (Vermont) **Pavilion Building evacuated due to chemical smell.** A government building in Montpelier that houses the Vermont governor’s office had to be evacuated after some State workers starting feeling sick May 23. The employees at the Pavilion Building reported having headaches and watery eyes. The source appears to have been a waterproof sealant applied to the outside bricks that wafted into the building. The employees were sent home, and the building was ventilated. The administration secretary said he expected all workers would be able to return May 24.

Source: http://www.vpr.net/news_detail/94610/pavilion-building-evacuated-due-to-chemical-smell/

39. *May 23, Associated Press* – (Florida) **Officials ponder hurricane threat when GOP gathers.** The Republican National Convention scheduled in Tampa for late August would be among the casualties if the area were threatened by a hurricane, Florida's lieutenant governor said May 23. She said Florida's governor would make the call to reschedule the GOP convention if it were threatened by severe weather. State emergency workers have spent recent days tracking a fictitious Category 3 Hurricane Gispert that would hit Tarpon Springs, just north of Tampa, 2 days after the convention is scheduled to begin. "We'd be dealing a lot with storm surge issues down there," said the State's emergency management director. "We're also working on a high number of potential evacuations." The GOP convention is scheduled for August 27-30, in the middle of Florida's hurricane season. Two of the most damaging hurricanes to hit the United States reached Florida in late August. The adjutant general of the Florida National Guard said May 23 that he presently has 9,000 available troops for assistance if needed.

Source:

http://www.boston.com/news/nation/washington/articles/2012/05/23/officials_ponder_hurricane_threat_when_gop_gathers/

40. *May 23, Reuters* – (National; Florida) **Florida student pleads guilty to threat on U.S. President's life.** A college student from Miami pleaded guilty in federal court May 23 to threatening to kill the U.S. President by putting "a bullet through his head" in a Facebook post. The student's lawyer said he never intended to make good on his threats which had been made to "rile up" the President's supporters. In one of the Facebook posts, the student announced the President had been targeted for assassination during a visit to the University of Miami in 2012.

Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/05/23/us-usa-florida-threat-idUSBRE84M1KM20120523>

41. *May 23, Princeton University* – (New Jersey) **Frick Lab reopened after temporary evacuation.** About 300 people were evacuated May 23 from the Frick Chemistry Laboratory at Princeton University in Princeton, New Jersey, after a glass container filled with nitric acid broke in a storage cabinet. Nitric acid had been mixed with a solvent in the container, causing a reaction that built up pressure. When the container broke, the impact forced open the cabinet door, which struck a researcher, bruising her right knee. Another researcher was taken to a hospital for treatment of minor chemical burns on her face. The department of public safety, facilities site protection, Princeton Fire Department, Princeton University volunteer firefighters, the Trenton Fire Department's hazardous materials team, and the Princeton First Aid and Rescue Squad responded. A public safety officer was taken to the hospital for evaluation after he experienced tingling in his arm, which may have been caused by exposure to the acid as he was helping the researcher. The lab was inspected and reopened within 2 hour. About 150 students who were taking an examination in the building were moved to another location. All three individuals who were taken to the hospital were released later in the day, May 23.

Source:

<http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S33/78/07O59/index.xml?section=topstories>

42. *May 23, Dothan Eagle* – (Alabama) **Teen charged in Wicksburg shooting plot.** Sheriff's officials in Houston County, Alabama, said investigators arrested an eighth grade student May 22 after he compiled a "hit list" of students he planned to kill at Wicksburg High School in Newton. They charged him with felony making a terrorist threat. The teenager was taken to the Southeast Alabama Diversion Center. "He did have a list of students that he did not like and he actually admitted to us he wanted to kill them," the sheriff said. Their investigation revealed the student had access to firearms at home and planned to act out the shooting at the high school. "We received some information he wanted to kill some other students and possibly commit suicide," the sheriff said. The Houston County Schools superintendent said the administration found out about the hit list after the student apparently made several statements to other students about possibly bringing a gun to school and shooting someone.
Source: <http://www2.dothaneagle.com/news/2012/may/23/teen-charged-wicksburg-shooting-plot-ar-3844630/>

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Emergency Services Sector

43. *May 24, WRC 4 Washington, D.C.* – (Washington, D.C.) **Six return to work at D.C. fire station.** Six Washington, D.C. firefighters returned to work May 24 after the entire shift was replaced due to an unknown illness May 23. All eight firefighters were replaced at the Engine 10 Station after they complained of possible symptoms of chemical exposure, including respiratory problems and burning eyes. D.C. Fire and EMS declared a mass casualty HAZMAT and took the firefighters to the police and fire clinic for observation. Two firefighters are out on sick leave and face more tests and evaluations before they are cleared to return to work. Officials said the firefighters could have become ill from a fire they fought earlier in the day. Extra fire crews were called in to cover Engine 10 Station.
Source: <http://www.nbcwashington.com/news/local/Entire-Shift-Falls-Ill-at-DC-Fire-Station-153365205.html>
44. *May 23, Fayetteville Observer* – (North Carolina) **Lightning temporarily knocks out radio, phone systems at police substation, fire station on Santa Fe Drive.** May 23, lightning temporarily knocked out the base station radios and phone systems at the Fayetteville Police Department's Cross Creek substation and Fayetteville Fire Station 9 in North Carolina. The lightning struck a tree in a vacant lot across from the fire department and substation, causing the 1-hour long disruption.
Source: <http://www.fayobserver.com/articles/2012/05/24/1179928?sac=fo.local>

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Information Technology Sector

45. *May 24, H Security* – (International) **Google releases security update for Chrome 19.** Google announced an update to the stable version of Chrome, which brings the browser version to 19.0.1084.52 on Windows, Mac OS X, and Linux. The update is a pure security update that does not include any new features — it closes nine vulnerabilities with a Common Vulnerability Scoring System rating of “High” and fixes two problems labeled “Critical” as well as two “Medium” level issues. Many of the vulnerabilities are due to bugs in Chrome’s memory handling, such as out-of-bounds reads and use-after-free conditions, and Google noted several were detected with their AddressSanitizer tool. Other bugs were fixed in Chrome’s PDF handling code and its V8 JavaScript rendering engine.
Source: <http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/Google-releases-security-update-for-Chrome-19-1583427.html>
46. *May 24, The Register* – (International) **Yahoo! leaks! private! key! in! Axis! Chrome! debut!** May 24, Yahoo released its Axis extension for Chrome and accidentally leaked its private security key that could allow anyone to create malicious plugins masquerading as official Yahoo software. An Australian researcher exposed the certificate mistake, and said users should not install the extension “until the issue is clarified.” He examined the extension’s source code and found the private certificate, which Yahoo uses to sign the application to prove it is genuine and unaltered. The result, he says, is that a miscreant could forge a malicious extension that would be verified by Google’s Web browser as coming from Yahoo. There are myriad attacks that could be executed with a spoofed extension; the most obvious of these would be to create and sign a traffic logger to capture a victim’s Web activity. The researcher also produced a proof-of-concept of a spoofing attack and written up instructions on how to remove the extension. Yahoo has since posted a replacement Web search extension that does not include the private half of the security certificate.
Source:
http://www.theregister.co.uk/2012/05/24/yahoo_ships_private_certificate_by_accident/
47. *May 24, IDG News Service* – (International) **Bounty hunters find 8 Google services bugs.** Security researchers unveiled 8 vulnerabilities in Google services during the Hack in the Box conference in Amsterdam, Netherlands, May 24 — but they claim to have discovered more than 100 such bugs over the past few months. The bugs they revealed were found in Google’s blog platform Blogger, its Analytics service, and in Google Calendar, among other services. Cross-site-scripting (XSS) vulnerabilities are the most common bugs found in Google’s services, the researchers said during their presentation. XSS attacks — allowing the execution of malicious code from one Web site or file as if it belonged to another — are not just about stealing account data, but can also be used for hacking a victim’s computer, they said.
Source:
http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9227445/Bounty_hunters_find_8_Google_services_bugs

48. *May 23, IDG News Service* – (International) **McAfee reports big spike in malware.** PC malware had its “busiest quarter in recent history,” according to McAfee’s quarterly security report released May 23. The security company registered the biggest increase in malware in 4 years during the first quarter of 2012, bringing the total number of samples to 83 million. Fake antivirus programs declined in popularity, but software with faked security signatures, rootkits, and password-stealing trojans rose. McAfee counted about 200,000 new examples of password-stealing trojans. Software is “signed” by the vendor to tell users it is safe to install. A user is more likely to trust Microsoft or McAfee, for example, than an unknown vendor. Scammers capitalize on that trust when they forge the digital signature of a trusted provider to boost the chances of having their malware successfully installed on the user’s computer. Security researchers began to warn that forged security signatures would increase after the success of the proliferation of the Stuxnet and Duqu malware programs that used that deception. Among botnets, Cutwail was most active during the quarter, recruiting more than a million new machines. Nearly half of all new botnet control servers were in the United States. The report also noted a dramatic increase in malware designed to attack mobile devices that run Android. It also found that most mobile malware originated in and targeted China and Russia. Malware targeting Apple computers also continued to rise steadily.
Source:
http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9227415/McAfee_reports_big_spike_in_malware
49. *May 23, Computerworld* – (International) **Pwnium hacking contest winners exploited 16 Chrome zero-days.** May 22, Google revealed the two researchers who cracked Chrome in March at the company’s inaugural “Pwnium” hacking contest used 16 zero-day vulnerabilities. The number of bugs each researcher used — 6 in one case, “roughly” 10 in the other — was dramatically more than the average attack. The Stuxnet worm of 2010, called “groundbreaking” by some analysts, used just four bugs, only three of them previously unknown “zero-day” vulnerabilities. Google detailed only the half dozen deployed by the researcher known as “Pinkie Pie” in a post to the Chromium blog May 22. Details of the 10 used by the other researcher will not be disclosed until they are patched in other programs they afflict, said two Chrome security engineers.
Source:
http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9227404/Pwnium_hacking_contest_winners_exploited_16_Chrome_zero_days
50. *May 23, Threatpost* – (International) **Months after a patch, targeted attacks still using Adobe Flash bug.** More than 3 months after it was patched, attackers are still using a vulnerability in Adobe’s Flash product in targeted, advanced persistent threat-style attacks. The vulnerability, identified as CVE-2012-0754 was patched in February and linked to targeted attacks weeks later. However, new attacks targeting unpatched systems are still circulating, according to a report from Xecure Lab, which reported that attackers are continuing to refine their technique even months after Adobe issued a patch for the hole. Xecure said it detected a variant of the “SB” family of trojan being installed in attacks that leverage the Flash bug. Independent analysis on

the same PDF by a researcher revealed links to earlier targeted attacks dating both to March and a separate attack in late April.

Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/months-after-patch-targeted-attacks-still-using-adobe-flash-bug-052312

51. *May 23, Threatpost* – (International) **DHS warns of potential scams and attack in run-up to London Olympics.** Hacktivists, malware, scams, data theft, and distributed denial-of-service (DDoS) attacks are among DHS's concerns regarding 2012's summer's Olympic Games set to take place in London, England, according to the DHS Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center's Strategic Outlook. The document focuses primarily on a disruption of operation caused by DoS or DDoS attacks. With an IT staff of more than 5,000 individuals for the Olympics, many of whom are volunteers, DHS is warning about the potential for inside jobs. However, citing a recent defacement of the Azerbaijani National Olympic Committee's Web site by the Iranian hacker crew "Cocain Warriors," DHS is equally worried that ideologically motivated hackers could organize DDoS attacks against or deface official Web sites.

Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/dhs-warns-potential-scams-and-attack-run-london-olympics-052312

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Communications Sector

52. *May 23, Palm Springs Desert Sun; Associated Press* – (California) **Strong winds topple valley radio tower, rake region.** A strong gust took down a Coachella Valley radio station tower May 23 as high winds wreaked havoc across much of California. The National Weather Service reported an 80 mph gust on Whitaker Peak in mountains near Interstate 5 north of Los Angeles. High wind warnings and advisories were in effect through May 23 across parts of southern California, including the mountains of Los Angeles, Ventura, and Santa Barbara counties, the weather service said. A host for KDES 98.5 FM Palm Springs said the station's tower — atop Edom Hill between Cathedral City and Desert Hot Springs — was knocked out late in the afternoon. "We have a gauge up there and the gusts were more than 70 mph," he said. KDES FM could be off the air for a time. The host said a low-power transmitter might be put in place as soon as late May 23, however, restoring a signal for local listeners.

Source: <http://www.mydesert.com/article/20120524/NEWS09/205240309/Strong-winds-topple-valley-radio-tower-rake-region?odyssey=tab|topnews|text|Frontpage>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

53. *May 24, WRAL 5 Raleigh* – (North Carolina) **Four injured in grill explosion at Fayetteville stadium.** Four people were injured May 24 when a gas grill exploded at J.P. Riddle Stadium in Fayetteville, North Carolina, authorities said. Employees were trying to light the grill when it exploded. Authorities said the employees were unaware there was a leak in the grill's propane line. Three workers were sent to a burn center for treatment of extensive burns, while the fourth was treated at a hospital. The Fayetteville Fire/Emergency Management Department shut off gas lines to the stadium, and firefighters worked to clear gas fumes from the area. Damage to the stadium was minimal, authorities said.
Source: http://www.wral.com/news/news_briefs/story/11137227/
54. *May 23, Associated Press* – (Hawaii) **Partial reopening of Kauai's Kalapaki Beach about 1 week after sewage spill closed beach.** Parts of a Kauai beach in Lihue, Hawaii, were reopened May 23, about a week after the entire beach was closed because of a sewage spill. State health officials deemed parts of Kalapaki Beach safe after water quality tests. Between 400,000 and 500,000 gallons of treated sewage went into a storm drain leading into the bay the week of May 14. The spill occurred because of a partial power outage at the Lihue Wastewater Treatment Plant.
Source:
<http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/04be5e286401474aaec5480c88871b54/HI--Sewage-Spill-Kauai/>

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National Monuments and Icons Sector

55. *May 24, Arizona Republic* – (Arizona) **Arizona wildfires: Gladiator blaze becomes State's largest.** The Gladiator Fire has become the largest fire so far in Arizona's 2012 wildfire season at 16,222 acres May 24, up from 15,622 acres May 23. The fire was 30 percent contained. The National Weather Service issued a red flag warning expected to bring "widespread hazardous fire conditions" to much of the State. The warning was expected to extend to May 25. A Declaration of Emergency was issued May 23 in response to the Gladiator Fire, which knocked out 17 power lines, destroyed 6 structures, and prompted the evacuation of 4 communities in the Prescott National Forest. To date, the fire has cost \$11 million, according to a spokeswoman for the Prescott National Forest. The Sunflower Fire burned 16,175 in the Tonto National Forest and was 43 percent contained. The Bull Flat Fire, burning on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, which grew to 2,145 acres, was 95 percent contained. The Elwood Fire, which is on the San Carlos Indian Reservation, was fully contained by May 23. It

consumed 1,600 acres. The Campini wildfire, which burned inside the Coronado National Forest, charred 60 acres and was 70 percent contained.

Source: <http://www.azcentral.com/news/articles/2012/05/24/20120524arizona-wildfires-gladiator-blaze-becomes-states-largest.html>

56. *May 23, Arizona Daily Star* – (Arizona; International) **Wildfire SE of Tucson fully contained.** The Collins Fire burning southeast of Tucson is now 100 percent contained, U.S. Forest Service officials said May 23. The fire burned 60 acres 3 miles north of Parker Canyon Lake since May 21. Crews remained in the area due to a red flag warning advising of a high fire risk issued by the National Weather Service. Parker Canyon Lake re-opened. The Campini Fire continued to burn west of Montezuma Pass along the U.S./Mexico border. About 50 acres have burned in Arizona, and between 5,400 to 7,000 acres have burned in Mexico.

Source: http://azstarnet.com/news/local/wildfire/wildfire-se-of-tucson-fully-contained/article_2808020a-d0c7-56f0-b725-001643daa110.html

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Dams Sector

57. *May 24, Plattsburgh Press-Republican* – (New York) **Town of P'burgh finishing flood repair projects.** A replacement culvert for Bucks Corners Road in Plattsburgh, New York, is expected to arrive the week of May 28, the Plattsburgh Press-Republican reported May 24. A small section of that road was closed since the culvert and a 50-foot section of roadway washed out during the remnants of Tropical Storm Irene in fall 2011. The town supervisor said the Federal Emergency Management Agency approved the project, estimated to cost \$155,584. The Bucks Corners project is one of 15 that was needed after record flooding during the spring of 2011 and Tropical Storm Irene. Also, the highway department recently finished replacement of a seawall on Cumberland Head. The town has another project pending, a mitigation effort on a small dam at the Morrisonville Recreation Park that feeds the man-made pond there expected to prevent future problems during high-water situations.

Source: http://pressrepublican.com/new_today/x1321934690/Town-of-Pburgh-finishing-flood-repair-projects

58. *May 23, Manassas News & Messenger* – (Virginia) **Water back to safe level at Lake Jackson dam.** Water levels returned to safe levels and residents were told that evacuation was no longer advised at the Jackson Dam in Prince William County, Virginia, May 23. Three to 5 inches of rain fell in the county May 21 and 22 causing water levels at the dam to rise to abnormally high levels May 22, triggering a stage 3 dam emergency, a Prince William County Fire Department spokeswoman said. A stage 3 emergency applies when the water level at the dam is 6.5 feet and rising or there are “visual indications of dam failure,” according to county procedures. The county’s watershed management department said the evacuation was due to high water in low-lying areas, but there was no problem with the structural integrity of the dam.

Source: <http://www2.insidenova.com/news/2012/may/23/2/water-back-safe-level-lake-jackson-dam-ar-1937763/>



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